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RESPONSE UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.116

This response is in reply to the Office Action mailed October 1, 2008, in the above-identified application. Reconsideration of the application is respectfully requested.

FEE CALCULATION

No additional fee is required.

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Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 3 of this paper.

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